

issued notices to 159 defaulting units to show cause for not installing pollution control systems and non-compliance of the submission standards:

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken by the Government after getting their response; and

(c) if not the reasons therefor

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Central Pollution Control Board has constituted a Committee to examine the objections filed by the defaulting units. The recommendations of the Committee have been received by the Government recently. Appropriate action will be taken keeping in view the report of the Committee.

Freedom Movement

1634. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government intend to declare any of the peasant revolts/struggles of Kerala as part of the freedom Movement; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) and (b). Participation in the Kayyur, Morazha and Punnappa-Vayalar movements in Kerala as a part of Freedom Struggle is being reconsidered in consultation with the State Government of Kerala.

Plastic Recycling Industries

1635. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the unrestricted growth of Plastic Recycling Industries in the country producing non Bio-degradable plastic carry bags is causing environmental hazard;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to control it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). does not arise.

Carbide Plant

1636. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned, "Vital evidence being destroyed at Carbide plant", appearing in the *Statesman*, dated October 17, 1996;

(b) if so, whether the new management of Eveready Industries India Limited are trying to dismantle the structure and also removing certain machinery from the plant premises;

(c) whether such a step of the multinational company is likely to create hurdles for the Bhopal Gas victims; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA). (a) to (d). Yes Sir. According to information received from the C.B.I. and the State Government of Madhya Pradesh, the dismantling work has been stayed vide Court's orders dated 28.10.96. The matter is sub-judice.

[Translation]

Bird Sanctuary in Indore

1637. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any request for setting up a bird sanctuary in Indore, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) No, Sir. Under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 the State Government concerned are empowered to set up a sanctuary.

(b) Does not arise.

Shifting of Abattoir

1638. SHRI CHHATRAPAL SINGH : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the abattoir near Idgah in Delhi is proposed to be shifted to Loni in Ghaziabad district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether the environment of the area will not be polluted and cause danger to aeroplanes of bird hits as a result thereof;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to close down the abattoir; and

(d) if not, the details of the measures taken to prevent pollution and avoid air accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) Under the directions of the Supreme Court the abattoir near Idgah in Delhi is proposed to be shifted to industrial area Masuri Gulawati Road, District Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) to (d). There is no airport in the immediate vicinity of the proposed abattoir site, hence, the problem of bird hits to aeroplanes will not arise as a result of the abattoir. The proposed abattoir will operate on modern